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In re the Application of:

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For: METHOD FOR SCREENING THE ALLELIC STATE AT THE 5'-FLANKING

REGION OF THE αS1 CASEIN GENE (as amended)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below.

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